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- 1. Supplemental Amendment And Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116; and
- 2. Declaration Under 37 C.FR. § 1.132 Of Dr. Anthony Kennedy, with attached VELCADE™ package insert and *curriculum vitae*.

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